PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Telecommunications Division Carrier Branch

RESOLUTION T-16931

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Resolution T-16931, SBC California (U-1001-C), Requests Authority To Grandfather Dataphone Select-A-Station Service.

By Advice Letter No. 26143, Filed on January 31, 2005.

Summary

This Executive Director Action Resolution authorizes SBC California (SBC) to grandfather Dataphone Select-A-Station (DSAS) service. DSAS is an obsolete technology, equipment manufacturing has been discontinued, and replacement parts are no longer available.

Background

On September 3, 1997 the Commission approved resolution T-16077 which authorized Pacific Bell now SBC to change the status of DSAS to a special provisional offering.

By Advice Letter (AL) No. 26143, filed on January 31, 2005, SBC requests authority to revise Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. 175-T, A1, B, B1, B2, and B6. AL 26143 also requests, authority to grandfather DSAS service because DSAS is an obsolete technology, equipment manufacturing has been discontinued, and replacement parts are no longer available.

DSAS service is a multi-station, voice grade, private line data system designed to establish point-to-point connections rapidly between a customer provided master station and a number or remote stations, sequentially, one at a time. Direct transmission between remote stations is not possible, nor is simultaneous communication from the master to more than one remote station.

Notice/Protests

Notice of AL No. 26143, was published in the Commission Daily Calendar of February 02, 2005. SBC states that copies of AL No. 26143 have been mailed to interested utilities and/or parties. No protest to this AL has been received.

Discussion

Telecommunications Division (TD) has reviewed SBC's AL No. 26143. TD concludes that SBC's request for authority to grandfather DSAS service is reasonable. As it is not feasible for the utility to support services for which equipment is obsolete and no longer being manufactured. Therefore, SBC's request to grandfather DSAS should be approved under Resolution No. T-9598 which authorizes the Executive Director to grant authority to freeze or limit communications utility services.

SBC also states that it has, "only one business customer on the service with a few circuits and the customer is well aware of the [utility's] filing to grandfather [the service]."

Commission approval is based on the specifics of the Advice Letter and does not establish a precedent for the contents of future filings or for Commission approval of similar requests.

Findings

- 1. SBC requests authority to revise Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. 175-T, A1, B, B1, B2, and B6 to grandfather Dataphone Select-A-Station service because the service is obsolete, equipment manufacturing has been discontinued, and replacement parts are no longer available.
- 2. After reviewing AL No. 26143, TD recommends that the Commission approve this filing to grandfather Dataphone Select-A-Station.
- 3. Pursuant to the authority granted the Executive Director in Resolution No. T-9598, SBC's request for authority to revise Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. 175-T, A1, B, B1, B2, and B6 is reasonable and should be granted.

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. SBC California is granted authority to revise Schedule Cal. P.U.C. No. 175-T, A1, B, B1, B2, and B6 to grandfather Dataphone Select-A-Station service.
- 2. AL No. 26143 of SBC California and accompanying tariff sheets shall be marked to show that they were authorized by California Public Utilities Commission Resolution No. T-16931 and its effective date.
- 3. This Resolution is effective today.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by Executive Action Resolution on March 17, 2005.

/s/ STEVE LARSON
STEVE LARSON
Executive Director